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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Rickard et al.
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EXAMINER: Li Liu
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 20, 2008

Honorable Director of
Patents and Trademarks
PO Box 1450,
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2008, it is respectfully requested that
the following remarks be considered.